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SUMMARY: UK PROPOSED DELETION OF SUB-ITEM (A)(I) WITHDRAWN IN FACE OF NEAR UNANIMOUS OPPOSITION AND JAPANESE ALSO WITHDREW THEIRS ON SUB-ITEM (A)(2) IN FAVOR OF PARALLEL DUTCH PROPOSAL. OTHER PROPOSALS REMANDED TO ROUND II CONSIDERATION PRIMARILY AS RESULT OF US RESERVE, EXCEPT IN CASE OF JAPANESE SUB-ITEM (B) WHERE FRANCE SAID 8 GHZ CUT-OFF TOO HIGH FOR SAMPLING OSCILLOSCOPES. ACTION REQUESTED: US POSITION FOR ROUND II.

1. THE UK PROPOSAL TO DELETE SUB-ITEM (A)(I) RECEIVED SUFFICIENT RESERVES FROM ALL DELS TO CAUSE THEM TO WITHDRAW THEIR PROPOSAL (GERMANY WENT WITH THE MAJORITY, CANADA OPEN-MINDED, AND ITALY AGREED). THE JAPANESE/ NETHERLANDS PROPOSAL RE (A)(I) TO INCREASE THE LEVEL TO 150 MHZ CONVERSELY RECEIVED AGREEMENT FROM ALL DELS EXCEPT THE US WHICH RESERVED.

2. THE JAPANESE DEL POINTED TO SPECIFIC POLISH CAPABILITY TO PRODUCE 150 MHZ SCOPES (0S710) AND THEIR INFORMATION THAT THE USSR AND CHINA HAVE THIS CAPABILITY.

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LITY. FRENCH EXPERT AGREED WITH JAPAN SINCE HE HAD

PICKED UP A BROCHURE ON EQUIVALENT SCOPES ON A RECENT TRIP TO CHINA. THE US POINTED OUT THAT THE 05-710 WAS INFERIOR TO US COUNTERPARTS (POORER SENSITIVITY) AND CITED THE DEPENDENCE ON WESTERN COMPONENTS (PHILIPS CRT'S) AS EVIDENCED BY PREVIOUS EXCEPTIONS REQUESTS.

3. THE NETHERLANDS AGREED THAT COCOM HAS HAD SOME EXCEPTIONS CASES FOR DUTCH TUBES BUT IT DID NOT NECESSARILY FOLLOW THAT THEY WERE RECEIVING THEIR TOTAL MANUFACTURING SUPPLY FROM THEHGBST SINCE THE NUMBERS OF TUBES INVOLVED IN THOSE CASES WERE SMALL.

4. THE FRENCH POINTED OUT THAT SENSITIVITY IS NO LONGER A CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE CONTROL FOR OSCILLOSCOPES. THAT PARAMETER WAS DROPPED A LONG TIME AGO. THE US EXPRESSED OPINION THAT WHEN JUDGING STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE MANY PARAMETERS MUST BE CONSIDERED.

5. THE NETHERLANDS SUB-ITEM (A)(2) PROPOSAL (THE JAPANESE WITHDREW THEIRS) WAS SIMILARLY AGREED TO BY ALL DELS EXCEPT THE US WHICH RESERVED.

6. THE JAPANESE PROPOSAL IN SUB-ITEM (B) TO RELEASE ALL SAMPLING SCOPES BELOW 8 GHZ WAS FURTHER JUSTIFIED BY AVAILABILITY OF CHINESE SAMPLING SCOPES (TYPES SQ-13, SQ-6, SQ-12 AND SQ-5) WITH SIMILAR CHARACTERISTICS AT A RECENT TRADE FAIR.

7. THE UK SUBSTANTIATED THE JAPANESE ASSERTION THAT THE PRC HAS THE CAPABILITY TO PRODUCE A 44 PICOSECOND SAMPLING SCOPE BY CITING A DECEMBER 1972 "SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN" ARTICLE WRITTEN BY A US VISITOR TO CHINA.

8. THE US POINTED OUT THAT TRANSIENT ANALYSIS AND CIRCUIT DEVELOPMENT AT HIGHER FREQUENCIES IS ONE OF MANY IMPORTANT MILITARY DEVELOPMENT AREAS WHICH REQUIRE THE USE OF SAMPLING OSCILLOSCOPES. THE US ALSO POINTED OUT THE DEPENDENCE UPON WESTERN COMPONENTS BY THE BLOC FOR THEIR SAMPLING SCOPE MANUFACTURING. THE US RESERVED UNSYMPATHETICALLY.

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9. THE FRENCH ASKED THE JAPANESE TO SPECIFY THE CBE OF SYSTEMS WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THE USE OF THESE TYPE SCOPES. THEY FEEL THAT 8 GHZ IS TOO HIGH AND THEREFORE RESERVE. THE NETHERLANDS AND UK RESERVED PREFERRING A LOWER LIMIT. THE ITALIAN AND CANADIAN DELS WOULD GO WITH THE MAJORITY AND WEST GERMANY ACCEPTED BUT PREFERRED THE UK PROPOSAL.

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10. THE UK PROPOSAL IN SUB-ITEM (B) TO RELEASE ALL SAMPLING SCOPES UP TO 3 GHZ WAS ACCEPTED BY ALL DELS EXCEPT THE JAPANESE (RESERVED PREFERRING THEIR OWN) AND THE US (RESERVED FOR SAME REASONS AS STATED IN THE JAPANESE PROPOSAL). THE JAPANESE ALSO STATED THEY WOULD REPLY TO AN EARLIER FRENCH QUESTION IN ROUND II.

11. ALL DELS AGREED TO THE JAPANESE PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE AE NOTE EXCEPT THE US WHICH RESERVED FOR THE REASONS STATED IN SUB-ITEM (A). THIS JAPANESE PROPOSAL PARALLELED THAT OF THE DUTCH AND BOTH WERE CONSIDERED AT THE SAME TIME.

12. COMMENT: OTHER PC'S DISPLAYED FIRM BELIEF THAT EE'S AND PRC NOW HAVE 150 MHZ CAPABILITY AND 1584 PARAMETERS ACCORDINGLY SHOULD BE ADJUSTED UPWARDS. AGAIN SURPRISE ASSISTANCE CAME FROM FRANCE ON ISSUE OF CUT-OFFS FOR SAMPLING SCOPES. PREPARATION OF US POSITION FOR ROUND II SHOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION PC CLAIMS AND IF US ASSESSMENT IS OPPOSITE, WE SHOULD CITE CHAPTER AND VERSE REASONS FOR OPPOSING.

13. ACTION REQUESTED: PREPARATION OF US POSITION FOR

ROUND II BASED ON BEST AVAILABLE INFORMATION RE BLOC
CAPABILITY, PRESENT AND PROJECTED FOR NEAR FUTURE.
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